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SUBJECT: MALDIVIAN AIRPORT CONSTRUCTION

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1. AGREE GOM REQUEST FOR ASSISTANCE UNCLEAR . WILL USE
EMBOFF'S VISIT TO MALE IN EARLY JANUARY TO SEEK LOW-KEY
CLARIFICATION. EMBASSY WOULD PREFER TO HANDLE SITUATION IN
THIS MANNER SO WE DO NOT RAISE EXPECTATIONS THAT ASSISTANCE
WILL BE FORTHCOMING. WILL ALSO USE VISIT TO DISCREETLY
INQUIRE ABOUT GOM APPROACHES TO OTHER GOVERNMENTS FOR AID.

2. FOR YOUR INFORMATION, THERE IS A POSSIBILITY THAT SOME
OR ALL OF THE AIRCRAFT CONTROLEQUIPMENT NOW POSITIONED
GAN WILL BE REMOVED FOR USE IN THE EXPANDED HULULE AIRPORT.
GERMAN AND BRITISH ENGINEERS HAVE VISITED GAN WITHIN THE
PAST TWO MONTHS TO SURVEY THE CONDITION OF THE EQUIPMENT.
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